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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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1. (Currently Amended) An information providing apparatus for a vehicle, characterized

by comprising:

an aural information providing unit to aurally notify various states of a vehicle; and

a control unit that inputs information of the vehicle through at least one of a vehicle

information terminal and a multiplex communication input/output unit, creates from at least

warning content of the information, warning aural information including at least a combination

of a sound effect and a voice, causes the aural information providing unit to operate based on the

warning aural information, and changes the warning aural information for each scene in which a

user of the vehicle is placed,

wherein the control unit changes at least one of a number of times of reproduction of the

voice, and a reproduction sequence of the sound effect and the voice to create the warning aural

information.

2. (Original) The information providing apparatus for the vehicle as recited in claim 1,

characterized in that the control unit identifies the scene, based on the input of the information,

from any one state of an engine state of the vehicle, a state of the vehicle at a time of start of

traveling, a state of the vehicle during traveling, a state of lighting of a light of the vehicle, and a

state of a getting-off operation of the user.

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3. (Currently Amended) The information providing apparatus for the vehicle as recited in claim 1, characterized in that the control unit identifies the scene, based on the input of the information, from a combination of an engine state of the vehicle and any one state of at least two states of an engine state of the vehicle, a state of the vehicle at a time of start of traveling, a state of the vehicle during traveling, a state of lighting of a light of the vehicle, and a state of a getting-off operation of the user.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The information providing apparatus for the vehicle as recited in claim 1, characterized in that the control unit has a customize mode to register various settings of the aural information providing unit, and includes an input unit to determine contents of the various settings in the customize mode, and a storage unit to register the contents of the various settings.